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### **DoD Biometrics Names Guzman Acting Director**

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 1, 2005 – DoD Biometrics announced today that Dr. Joseph M. Guzman has been named Acting Director of the Biometrics Management Office (BMO). Prior to this assignment, Dr. Guzman served the BMO as Director of Policy, Planning, and Liaison.

“Since joining DoD Biometrics, Dr. Guzman has been instrumental in orchestrating key relationships with U.S. Government agencies,” said Major General Conrad Ponder, the Chief Integration Officer for the Army Chief Information Officer/G-6. “His leadership is critical as the U.S. military brings technology to the warfighter and supports efforts in the Global War on Terrorism.”

Dr. Guzman came to the BMO from the Center for Naval Analyses (CNA) Corporation, a federally funded research and development center serving the Department of the Navy and other defense agencies. At CNA Corporation, he served as a Senior Policy Economist in their Public Research Division. Prior to this position, Dr. Guzman was an Economist with RAND Corporation and served as an assistant professor at Georgetown’s McDonough School of Business. In addition to a Ph.D. in Economic Analysis and Policy from Stanford University, Dr. Guzman holds a Masters of Business Administration, along with advanced degrees in economics, statistics, and business research from Stanford, as well as an undergraduate degree in engineering from the University of Arizona.

Dr. Guzman’s assignment is made possible through the Army Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) Mobility Program (5 USC Section 3371-3375), which permits movement of personnel between qualified organizations for up to four years.

Dr. Guzman succeeds John D. Woodward, Jr., who has returned to RAND Corporation as Associate Director of its Intelligence Policy Center.

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*The Department of Defense (DoD) Biometrics Management Office (BMO) is responsible for leading, consolidating, and coordinating the development, adoption, and use of biometric technologies for the Combatant Commands, Services, and Agencies, to support the warfighter and enhance Joint Service interoperability. The Biometrics Fusion Center (BFC) is the test and evaluation unit of the BMO. The BMO reports to the Army Chief Information Officer (CIO/G-6) who acts on behalf of the DoD Executive Agent for Biometrics, the Secretary of the Army. The recently formed Identity Protection and Management Senior Coordinating Group provides senior-level, DoD-wide strategic guidance to the BMO, given its mission to oversee efforts in the areas of Biometrics, Public Key Infrastructure, and Smart Cards. To learn more about DoD Biometrics, please visit [www.biometrics.dod.mil](http://www.biometrics.dod.mil).*